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**01/01/12**

**6:30 PM & 11:30 PM**

**ORGAN TRANSPLANTS**

**VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ / PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:00**

Organ transplantes have save the lives of many people, but they can also serve as a prolongation of the existence of those who have passed away. The families of those who have died see a part of the individual living in those whose lives have been saved by the organ transplant. For a while the annual parade of the Roses has served as a platform to promote organ donations.

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**01/02/12**

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**01/03/12**

**MITT ROMNEY ON DREAM ACT**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK**

**PKG: 2:26**

Republican front-runner Mitt Romney faces prejudice in Iowa from evangelicals who are "suspicious" of his Mormon faith, The Washington Post for everyone except those who serve in the military. The act would conditionally allow undocumented immigrants who entered the country under the age of 16 to be eligible for legal status. Meanwhile, social conservatives are rallying behind former Pennsylvania senator Rick Santorum, even disillusioned ones like Chris La Tondresse, founder and CEO of an organization called Recovering Evangelical. In a column at CNN.com La Tondresse said "there's no questioning Santorum's social conservative bona fides," but "more than any other Republican candidate (and even more than some Democrats), Santorum speaks openly and passionately about his concern for poor and vulnerable people in the U.S. and around the world."

## **TPS DEADLINE**

**MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS - MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG: 2:32**

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) reminds its customers that the open re-registration period for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for nationals of Honduras and Nicaragua ends on Jan. 5, 2012. Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano extended TPS for eligible nationals of Honduras and Nicaragua for an additional 18 months, beginning Jan. 6, 2012, and ending July 5, 2013. To re-register, current TPS beneficiaries must submit an Application for Temporary Protected Status Form I-821. TPS re-registrants must also submit an Application for Employment Authorization Form I-765, regardless of whether they are applying for an Employment Authorization Document (EAD). Re-registrants do not need to pay the Form I-821 application fee, but they must submit the biometric services fee, or a fee waiver request, if they are age 14 or older. TPS re-registrants applying for an EAD must submit the Form I-765 application fee, or a fee waiver request.

## **ICE IMMIGRATION HOT LINE**

**JAIME GARCIA - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG: 2:11**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security [DHS] announced the launching of a hot line for people jailed on immigration charges who believe they are victims of abuse, or are U.S. citizens detained through immigration enforcement in error. The telephone service is Washington's latest effort to address concerns about suspected undocumented immigrants booked in local jails. The new policy comes after recent reports of U.S. citizens being deported and DHS putting an end to an immigration enforcement agreement it had with Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) in Arizona, due to "discriminatory policing practices" which allowed Sheriff Arpaio's deputies to check the immigration status of local jail inmates and triggered a series of allegations of racial profiling and discrimination against Latinos.

## **MEN HAVE 2/3 OF JOBS**

**VO: 19**

Men are claiming more than two-thirds of the private-sector jobs created as the economy recovers, reversing a long-running trend that came within a whisker of giving the USA its first-ever majority-female workforce. In a wrinkle that puzzles economists, one important driver of the trend is that hundreds of thousands of men are showing up in retailing, once considered a source of jobs for women. Nearly 1.28 million men gained jobs in the 12 months that ended in November, compared with 600,000 women, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Although men have returned to work in greater numbers in goods-producing jobs and service-related businesses, they're not returning to still-stagnant construction industries. Instead, retailers have added 216,900 men - about five times as many as have been added by traditionally male financial services companies - vs. about 9,000 women. Also, manufacturers have added more than 250,000 men and cut 33,000 women.

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**01/04/12**

#### **IRS EXTENDS TAX FILING DEADLINE TO APRIL 17TH**

**VO :20**

Today, the Internal Revenue Service announced it's pushing back the deadline from April 15th to April 17th. The reason? April 15 falls on a Sunday and the following day is Emancipation Day, a holiday observed in the District of Columbia. Taxpayers requesting an extension will have until October 15 to file. The I-R-S says it expects more than 144-million individual tax returns to be filed this year.

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**01/05/2012**

#### **TPS DEADLINE**

**PEDRO ROJAS - HOUSTON, TEXAS**

**PKG: 1:59**

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## REPUBLICANS ON DREAM ACT

LOURDES MELUZA - WASHINGTON, DC

PKG: 2:09

State Representative and candidate for Congressional District 25 Luis Garcia issued the following statement in response to Mitt Romney's comments that he would veto the DREAM Act if he were elected and Congress passed the bill. "The DREAM Act has been supported by people from both sides of the aisle. It would provide opportunities for young immigrants - people who want to contribute to the only country they've ever known by serving in the military, going to college -- to earn a path to citizenship. "It is alarming that a candidate who claimed that the McCain/Kennedy comprehensive immigration reform bill was 'reasonable' now advocates kicking immigrants out of America - even families who've lived here for a generation and those who have raised children and grandchildren here, pay their taxes, obey the law, are members of their churches and communities, and even volunteer to serve in the military and in harm's way."

## SEX EDUCATION VIDEO

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK

PKG: 2:07

Our Simone Weichselbaum reported last night that some pols -- including Golden -- have issues with the "More Than Just Sex" program, which uses slang like "raw dogging" (**there's** a phrase I never thought I'd use on this blog) to describe unprotected sex. "I believe that such an improper advertisement, paid for by the New York taxpayers, should be shown only in age-appropriate high school classroom settings. The fact that this video is available for people of all ages to view on the internet is alarming," Golden said in a statement about the clip, which was put out by the non-profit Community Health. Golden continues, "In this day and age, it is dangerous to indirectly advocate for safe sex. This campaign has the potential to confuse our youth and encourage them to actually engage in unsafe sex. This advertisement campaign must be reevaluated as it is my belief that it could actually cause unintended consequences, such as a rise in teen pregnancy and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases."

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## NEW IMMIGRANT RULES

LOURDES MELUZA - WASHINGTON, DC

PKG: 2:11

The Obama administration has proposed to change a rule to reduce the time illegal immigrant spouses and children are separated from their American relatives while they try to gain legal status in the United States. Currently, many illegal immigrants must leave the country before they can ask the government to waive a three- to 10-year ban on coming back. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas said Friday the change would let children and spouses ask the government to decide on a waiver request before they head to their home countries to apply for visas to return. Mayorkas says the change would reduce family separations to days or weeks, from months.

## **NEW IMMIGRANT RULES REACTION**

**LILIANA ESCALANTE - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG: 1:59**

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## **CALIFORNIA DREAM ACT REPEAL FAILS**

**VO: 17**

A petition to repeal a California law allowing undocumented immigrants access to taxpayer-funded scholarships, failed to get enough signatures, its backers say. An drive to place repeal of the California Dream Act on the state ballot came up short -- netting 447,514 of the required 500,000 signatures required to present to the secretary of state by the Friday deadline, the Los Angeles Times reported. "This is disappointing news," said the public face of the petition drive, San Bernardino Republican Assemblyman Tim Donnelly. "It is no less of a warning to Gov. Brown, and every [Democratic] legislator who voted to create a new entitlement program for illegals while the state still has a budget deficit over \$9 billion, and cannot even meet it's obligation to legal California students," Donnelly said.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT DECREASE**

**LUIS MEGID - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG: 1:36**

Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis issued the following statement on the December 2011 Employment Situation report released today. "Our nation's strengthening labor market posted broad-based growth in the month of December. Nonfarm payroll employment added 200,000 jobs, exceeding expectations, and the unemployment rate fell to 8.5 percent, its lowest level in nearly three years. "Month by month, industry by industry, and state by state, America's labor market grew stronger in 2011. We're now seeing sustained job growth across almost every industry. We created nearly 2 million private sector jobs in 2011, and the unemployment rate fell in 45 states and the District of Columbia last year. Additionally, the

number of mass layoffs continued to decline, with 14 of 19 industries reporting a decrease in layoffs over the year.

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## **FLORIDA IMMIGRATION REPORT**

**VO: 19**

Florida lawmakers will likely have another battle over immigration during their upcoming session. State Rep. Gayle Harrell, R-Stuart, on Friday filed a bill that would require employers in the state to check the status of new employees against a federal database also known as E-Verify. The new requirement would start in January 2013 if lawmakers approve the bill. Last year the GOP-controlled Legislature debated a tough immigration bill that was backed by several leading Republicans. But the House and Senate could not agree on the bill and the measure died. Since that time neither Gov. Rick Scott nor other legislative leaders have spoken much about the need for legislation this year.

## **USA CALIFORNIA DREAM ACT**

**VO: 20**

Organizers have failed to gather enough signatures for a California voter initiative aimed at barring illegal immigrants from receiving public aid for college, a leader of the campaign said on Friday. The petition drive led by state Assemblyman Tim Donnelly, a Republican, took aim at 2011 legislation known as the California Dream Act. The first part of the legislation signed into law in July by Governor Jerry Brown, a Democrat, allowed illegal immigrants to

receive privately funded college scholarships. The second part signed in October also extended state-funded aid to certain illegal immigrants, and that is what opponents sought to overturn.

## **NEVADA IMMIGRATION DREAM ACT**

**VO: 22**

Republican U.S. Sen. Dean Heller took a hard stance against immigration reform that would grant illegal immigrants amnesty Friday, telling a Hispanic group in Las Vegas that he does not support the DREAM

Act or birthright citizenship for some children. Heller's appearance at a monthly Hispanics in Politics meeting was intended to be an olive branch toward the Hispanic community after he cancelled a meeting with the Las Vegas Latin Chamber of Commerce in October, prompting accusations from some Hispanic leaders that Heller was shunning the Latino community.

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**01/08/2012**

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#### **NOVARTIS RECALL**

**VO: 22**

Novartis is recalling some bottles of Excedrin, NoDoz, Bufferin and Gas-X Sunday over concerns that the bottles could contain stray pills from other medicines, or chipped or broken tablets. The news follows Novartis' recent decision to temporarily suspend production at its Lincoln, Neb., plant for "maintenance and other improvement activities." The Swiss drug maker said it implemented the recall, which affects U.S. retailers, voluntarily and is working with the Food and Drug Administration during the process. It became aware of the potential problem during an internal review that identified broken and chipped pills, and inconsistent bottle packaging that could cause pills to be mixed up. The company said it wanted to make sure that customers didn't take any pills that they might be allergic to or that might become dangerous when mixed with their other medications, though it also said that there have been no such reports from consumers.

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**01/09/2012**

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**01/10/2012**

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**01/11/2012**

**ARRESTS IN PUERTO RICO, US IN DOCUMENT FRAUD CASE**

**PKG: 2:07 - LOURDES MELUZA**

Fifty people have been accused of conspiring to sell the identities of hundreds of Puerto Ricans to illegal immigrants in the U.S. mainland in the largest single fraud case ever for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, authorities said Wednesday. Hundreds of birth certificates, Social Security numbers and driver's licenses were sold for up to \$2,500 a set as part of a black market ring based in Puerto Rico that operated from since at least April 2009, according to ICE Director John Morton.

**GOP NEXT PHASE SC & FL**

**PKG: 2:39 - BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ**

In a state where Mitt Romney finished in fourth place in 2008, his rivals are hoping to again hand him a setback in the South Carolina primary and stop his two-state winning streak. Newt Gingrich today was looking to tap into the state's religious fervor, by pledging to fight "anti-Christian bigotry." He's also painting Romney as a former venture capitalist whose deals cost people their jobs, while Rick Perry is defending his

characterization of Romney as a "vulture capitalist."

**FORD RECALLS**

**VO: 15**

Ford Motor Co. said Wednesday that it's recalling nearly half a million minivans and SUVs because of a pair of mechanical issues. The Dearborn, Mich.-based automaker is recalling 205,896 Freestar and Mercury Monterey minivans made during the 2004 and 2005 model years, because their torque converter



output shaft may fail. If that happens, there could be a sudden loss of power that could cause a crash, Ford said.

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**1/12/2012**

## **MARINES VIDEO LATEST**

**LOURDES MELUZA**

**PKG: 2:11**

A video showing what appears to be American forces urinating on dead Taliban fighters prompted anger in Afghanistan and promises of a U.S. investigation on Thursday but the insurgent group said it would

not harm nascent efforts to broker peace talks. The video, posted on YouTube and other websites, shows four men in camouflage Marine combat uniforms urinating on three corpses. One of them jokes: "Have a nice day, buddy." Another makes a lewd joke. Afghan President Hamid Karzai condemned the video, describing the men's actions as "inhuman" and calling for an investigation, in a statement on Thursday.

## **ROMNEY IN SOUTH FLORIDA**

**VO: 25**

The campaign is in full tilt in South Carolina, but Mitt Romney took a detour Thursday in his effort to wrap up the nomination by the end of this month Romney faced a cheering crowd here - including some passionate supporters, who unlike their peers in earlier primary states said they were not simply lukewarm about the front-runner. A Romney aide said his appearance at the convention center in Florida showed "the strength of our organization." But it was also evidence of his strategy to target absentee-ballot voters, who are already voting in Florida ahead of the Jan. 31 contest there.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS UP**

**VO: 20**

The Labor Department says applications for jobless benefits spiked last week as companies let go of thousands of workers after the holiday season. Weekly applications rose by 24,000 to a seasonally adjusted

399,000 -- the highest level in six weeks. Economists are downplaying the increase, saying that it's typical in early January.

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**1/13/2012**

## **MARINES VIDEO CONTROVERSY LATEST**

**VO: 25**

The U.S. Marine Corps took a first, formal step on Friday toward possible charges against four Marines who, in a widely circulated video, appear to be urinating on the bodies of dead Taliban fighters in Afghanistan. It named a lead investigating officer whose job will include deciding what charges, if any, would be brought against the four men, all of whom have been identified, a Marine Corps official told Reuters, speaking on condition of anonymity.

## **DEPUTY STRIKES WOMAN**

**JAIME GARCIA**

**PKG: 1:43**

A female deputy holds the woman's left arm by her side as the male deputy restrains the woman's other arm he suddenly elbows her in the face. Jermaine Green, an Iraq war veteran, was watching and videotaping with his cell phone what he describes as a disturbing scene.

## **USA GUNS COURT**

**VO: 20**

A U.S. judge on Friday refused to block new federal rules requiring gun dealers in four states bordering Mexico to report the sales of multiple semi-automatic rifles, a victory for the Obama administration. The administration issued the reporting requirements last year despite opposition from the gun industry as part of a stepped-up effort to clamp down on the weapons flowing across the border to violent drug cartels in Mexico.

## **S & P WORLD DOWNGRADE**

**VO: 25**

After Standard & Poor's downgraded the government debt of France, Italy, Spain, Austria and five other nations that use the euro, some European leaders said the move was unjustified. But most said the downgrades wouldn't severely hurt their ability to fight off the continent's debt crisis.

## **GINGRICH IN MIAMI**

**JENNY PADURA**

**PKG: 2:11**

The South Carolina primary is next up, but G-O-P presidential candidate Newt Gingrich is putting his focus on Florida today (Friday). Here you see the former House Speaker at an event in Orlando. South Carolina's primary will be held next Saturday, with Florida's following on January 31st. Today, a federal judge ruled against Gingrich and three other G-O-P presidential candidates seeking a spot on \*Virginia's\* March 6th primary ballot. The others were Rick Perry, Rick Santorum and Jon Huntsman. The judge says they waited too long to file their claims.

## **OBAMA TO CONGRESS**

**VO: 20**

President Barack Obama formally notified Congress on Thursday that he plans a \$1.2 trillion increase in the U.S. debt limit, setting the stage for Republicans to level election-year charges that deficits are out of control. Obama, in a letter to House of Representatives Speaker John Boehner, the top Republican in Congress, said "further borrowing is required to meet existing commitments." The move by the Democratic president gives Congress 15 days to vote on a resolution of disapproval under terms of budget control legislation passed last year.

## **BACON, SAUSAGE/CANCER RISK**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ**

**PKG: 1:51**

There's some bad news out today for breakfast lovers. New research in the British Journal of Cancer shows a link between eating processed meat, like bacon and sausage, and pancreatic cancer. The researchers found that eating one sausage a day could increase a person's risk of pancreatic cancer by 19- percent. The study, analyzed previous data from 11 trials and 6,643 patients with cancer of the pancreas. The risk increased by 19-percent for every 50 of processed meat someone added to their daily diet. Having an extra 100g would increase the risk by 38-percent.

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**1/14/2012**

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**1/15/2012**

**6:30 & 11:30**

**NEW MEXICO DRIVER LICENSES HISPANIC DEMAND**

**LUIS MEGID - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG: 1:48**

Immigrant advocates and their allies are preparing for another round of rallies in their quest to protect a state law that allows some illegal immigrants to obtain a state driver's license. The preparation comes as lawmakers ready to begin a new legislative session Tuesday over budget matters and after activists have held community meetings around the state. Gov. Susana Martinez has said she wants lawmakers to repeal the law. Marcela Diaz, executive director of Somos Un Pueblo Unido, a Santa Fe-based immigrant advocacy group, said hundreds are expect to take part in a rally and lobbying event Jan. 24. The New Mexico Catholic Conference of Bishops and the First Unitarian Church of Albuquerque\_also said they would bring members to lobby lawmakers on keeping the law.

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